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Conservation Commission Minutes 10/05/2006

ARLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
 MINUTES

OCTOBER 5, 2006

Mr. Stevens, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Town Hall Annex. Present were Judith Hodges, William O'Rourke, Catherine Garnett, Timothy Sullivan, and Chuck Tirone of the Commission. David White and Ellen Reed, of the Commission, were not in attendance.

7:30 pm - COMMISSION BUSINESS

Mr. Tirone reported on progress to install boat ramp signs. The one of Alfred Rd was installed and a thank you note to the property owner should sent from the Commission.

Hodges/Garnett motioned to approve the 9/21/06 minutes; motion passed unanimously.

7:45pm – NOTICE OF INTENT – MENOTOMY ROCKS PARK, pathway reconstruction around HILLS POND, DEP File No. 91-187

This hearing was continued from August 17, 2006, to the next meeting October 19, 2006 at 7:45pm.

Commission Business, cont.

There was a report by the neighbors of a coyote at McClennan Park and the DPW mowed the herbaceous wildflower planted areas to reduce the amount of refuge habitat for them. Arlington birders were concerned that this had reduced the habitat for birds considerably. Ms. Beckwith inspected the mowing on 9/27, and the issue appears to have been resolved. Kevin O'Brien will hold a meeting with residents, park maintenance crew, and the bird group to coordinate this mowing schedule in the future, to possibly later in the season.

The Cookes Hollow capital budget appropriation was removed from the budget. We will work to reinstate this item. Ms. Beckwith would fill out the paperwork.

Ms. Garnett and Ms. Hodges drafted Enforcement procedures and reviewed these with the Commission.

The Commission voted to convene at approximately 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Corinna Beckwith

Administrator